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Natural Sites		
1.	Kaziranga National Park (1985)	Assam
2.	Manas Wildlife Sanctuary (1985)	Assam
3.	Keoladeo National Park (1985)	Rajasthan
4.	Sunderbans National Park (1987)	West Bengal
5.	Nandadevi and Valley of Flowers National Park (1988, 2005)	Uttranchal

National Library for Ancient Scripture and Vedic Religions

2736. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a)whether Government propose to set up a National Library for the ancient scripture and Vedic Religions in Uttaranchal in view of its importance in Himalayan regions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when it is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Ticket of Qutub Minar

2737. SHRI SK. KHABIR UDDIN AHMED : Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cost of ticket for visiting Qutub Minar is Rs. 10/- for Indians and Rs. 500/- for foreigners; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) The rate of entry fee for visitors to Qutab Minar is as under:

Domestic	Rs. 10/- per head
Foreigner	US $ 5 per head (corresponding to Rs. 250/- per head)

Qutab Minar is a World Heritage Site (WHS) and the above rates are in accordance with the notified rates of admission to WHS in India.

Construction near Protected Heritage Monuments

2738. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI : Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ASI norms prohibit any construction within 100 meter from any Protected Heritage Monuments ;

(b) if so, whether any violation of this rule has been noticed by Goverment;

(c) whether Government are aware of the proposed construction of a bridge across Yamuna near Tuqlakabad in Delhi;

(d) if so, whether the construction is in full adherence to the rules;

(e) whether opinion of the ASI has been sought in this regard;

(f) if so, details thereof; and

(g) the details of the measures taken for safety of the protected monuments?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Yes, Sir. No new construction/mining operation within the 100 metres from the protected limit of a centrally protected monuments is permissible under the provision of Ancient Monuments & Archaeological Sites and Remains Act 1958 , Rules 1959 and Gazette Notification No. S. O. 1764 of 16th June, 1992.

(b) As and when such violation is noticed by the Government immediate remedial action to combat such incidence is initiated under the provisions of section 19(I) of Ancient Monuments & Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 and Rule 38(1) of AMASR Rules 1959.

(c) to (g) The Archaeological Survey of India(ASI) has not received